

UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL

Thursday, May 8, 2014

7:30 P.M.

The Common Council and Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg met in joint session at its regularly scheduled meeting time on Thursday, May 8, 2014 at the hour of 7:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall at 508 E. Fourth Street, Huntingburg, Indiana. Members Blackgrove, Kissling, McPherron, and Summers were present. Also present were Mayor Spinner and City Attorney Schneider. Member Lehr was absent.

Mayor Spinner called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Kissling and carried to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2014 meeting as presented.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Kissling and carried to approve the claims as presented.

The Mayor indicated that this was the date, time and place set for a public hearing on an additional appropriation. The additional appropriation is for \$85,900. The Mayor opened the public hearing and summarized the proposed additional appropriation. He asked if anyone would like to comment on this additional appropriation. No one commented. The hearing was closed.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2014-14 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE 2014 BUDGET YEAR

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2014-14 the vote being 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent (Lehr) in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2014-14 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 7:38 P.M.

A proposed ordinance was presented that would expand the prohibition of parking in public ways. Attorney Schneider summarized the proposed ordinance.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by McPherron and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2014-15 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 94 OF THE HUNTINGBURG MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING REGULATIONS FOR OBSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC WAYS

Pastor Howard Geck, of New Life United Pentecostal Church presented a Special Event Application for a Spanish Tent Revival to be held on Market Street on May 30, 31, and June 1, 2014. The event is for religious outreach to the Spanish community.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to approve the Special Event Application as presented.

There was discussion on the recently completed City Wide Trash Pick-Up survey done by the USI Research Team. Representatives of the team were present to answer any questions. Trash pick-up and recycling were both discussed. The Mayor will investigate the costs of curb-side recycling and report back to the Council.

Fire Chief Patberg requested two names be put on the list of approved firefighters for the Huntingburg Volunteer Fire Department; Paula Hemmer and Josh Hemmer. Both applicants have firefighter credentials and medical qualifications.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to add Paula Hemmer and Josh Hemmer to the list of approved firefighters for the City of Huntingburg.

The Mayor update the Council on the Stellar Communities program. He noted that each community that receives the Stellar finalist designation becomes eligible for a community development fund grant from the state to help offset the cost of the application process. He noted that Huntingburg is eligible for a \$10,000 grant. The grant is from the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority and a resolution is needed for the administration of the grant funds.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Summers and carried to adopt Resolution No. 2014-16 entitled:

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING INDIANA HOUSING AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND
GRANT**

Energy Superintendent Reutepohler presented a quote from HD Supply for a 2500 foot reel of underground wire in the amount of \$5,950.00. He noted that HD Supply has the sole territorial right to sell this type wire in this area.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Kissling and carried to approve the purchase of the reel of wire noted above in the amount of \$5,950.00.

Reutepohler presented revised plans and specifications for the EMS renovation of the gas garage. He also presented a summary estimate of the costs of the proposed renovation.

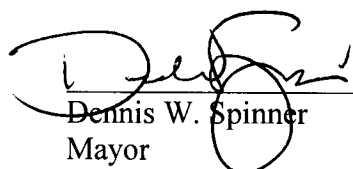
Attorney Schneider informed the Board that they could approve the plans and specifications for advertising of the proposed renovation and set a public bid opening date of June 5, 2014.

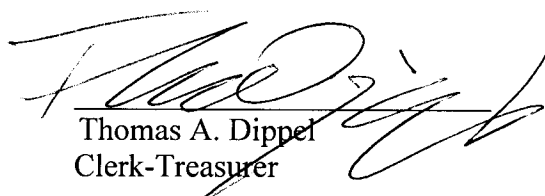
It was noted that once the bid amounts are known the additional appropriation process can begin. The funds are proposed to come out of the Riverboat Fund.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Kissling and carried to approve the plans and specifications as presented for the EMS Renovation.

Water Superintendent Williams updated the Board of concerns with low water pressure in the area near the South water tank due to taking the tank out of service for maintenance for a maximum of 45 days. He also informed the Board that things were being done to help with the low water pressure situation.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 o'clock P.M.


Dennis W. Spinner
Mayor


Thomas A. Dippel
Clerk-Treasurer